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Germany's Army Sensation.

When Chancellor Caprivi, desiring to

arouse the patriotism of the legislators

of the empire, reminded them that Ger-

many is not so strong as it was after the

war with France, he little expected that

confirmation would come so swiftly and

in so humiliating a form.

This confirmation is found in the

statement, seemingly well supported,

that the Lowe gun is a useless weapon.

The portent of this exposure lies in the

fact that more than 400,000 of these

guns are in use in the German army,

perhaps it would be better to say, ready

for use.

If all that is said about the gun be

true, there is a terrible hole in the

German military establishment. The dan-

ger is to some extent removed by the

discovery, for Germany will no longer

rely on a useless weapon. There will,

of course, be deeper probing, to see

how far this rottenness extends.

It is interesting to recall that when

France provoked war with Germany

she thought she was ready. She had a

superb military establishment on

paper. When the struggle came the

splendid establishment did not material-

ize. Troops were quickly mobilized,

but there was lack of guns, ammuni-

tion and clothing that had been paid

for, and where there was not fraud

there was hopeless confusion. The

real situation was not revealed in time.

Germany to-day, although mortified

and in the midst of a great scandal, is

in much better luck. Being at peace

she can prepare for war.

The passengers on the Spree got to

praying in dead earnest when they

thought the ship was going down, and

some of them made a poor first of it.

It doesn't do to put off learning how

until a critical moment arrives.

Japanese Should Eat Meat.

It seems that the mikado of Japan

has had on his thinking-cap and come

to the conclusion that the interesting

people of his fair realm are lacking in

stature and robustness. After the fash-

ion of an old-time oriental monarch he

might have had them drawn out to

make them taller and stuffed out to

make them broader.

But in these days they are playing at

constitutional government in Japan,

and so there is a parliamentary com-

mission or something of that sort, and

a recommendation. It is discovered

that a people cannot become physically

great on a diet of rice, fish and atmos-

phere; wherefore it is officially recom-

ended that they eat meat and see

what that will do for them.

One would have to understand the

nicer shadings of the Japanese tongue to

know precisely whether this is a mere

recommendation or a command with a

harikari attachment. Be this as it

may, the gentle Japanese are hereby

cordially welcomed to the ranks of the

meat-eating millions with the provisory

hope that they may find in our thor-

oughbred hog all that their fastidious

taste may demand.

MR. BLAINE'S health continues to im-

prove. Long may he be spared to the

country of which he is so distinguished

an ornament.

Republicans Can't Be Worked.

There is one thing that will not hap-

pen at this session of Congress. Repub-

licans will not help Democrats out of

any tariff or other hole.

In the next session Republicans will

be in a minority in Congress and the

Democrats will have, or think they will

have, the President. That will give the

Democrats the chance they long have

sought, to impress themselves upon the

history of the country.

If they cannot wait for the regular

session they have it in their power to

call an extra session, if they can get

the President-elect to agree with them.

Having things their own way they

should be happy. If they cannot also

be successful they will have to settle

that account with the country.

Settling day comes quickly after

election day, so fast time flies.

TO-DAY the President will send in his

message to Congress. To-morrow the

INTELLIGENCER will print it, and it will

be as good reading as the American

people are likely to get for several

years. The President's state papers

have been models.

STUDENTS who sail in promiscuously

to smash things, as the Yale hoodlums

have been doing, need to be taught a

lesson which the authorities of all col-

lege towns are slow to teach. It may

be granted that "boys will be boys,"

but this does not license young men to

be marauders of the first class. It may

be thought an awful thing to say, but

these miscreants would profit by a few

months in jail.

Hard Lines for Mr. Cleveland.

The Hill-Murphy-Tammany combine

is determined to make life a burden for

Mr. Cleveland. He hates the men who

helped him to carry New York, and they

despise him. It turns out that he

could have been elected without them,

but this is not all.

He would like to have peace with his

own party through his administration,

but he wants peace on his own terms.

He particularly does not want Murphy

in the senate to stand in with Hill and

knock his appointments in the head.

The little matter of "senatorial cour-

tesy" will give them practically a veto

power on his New York appointments,

and this would be sour gruel for Mr.

Cleveland to swallow.

What can the huntsman of Hog

Island do about it? The Hill crowd

can make a senator to suit themselves,

and if they knew of a man who would

be more distasteful than Murphy, they

would probably throw him at the

President-elect and let him make the

most of it.

Cleveland Democrats profess to think

this very bad, but to say mean, politics.

Well, the other fellows have not pre-

tended to be treading the higher levels

in patent leather pumps, have they?

It is a mistake to suppose that Con-

gress is opened with an oyster knife.

The proceeding is as gentle as rolling

off a log.

Better Local Government.

A Pittsburgh minister, preaching on

the social evil sensation in that city,

says that "laws should be enacted giv-

ing women all the privileges that men

now have." No specifications are

given.

How much more would new laws

avail than the old ones which are not

enforced and which public sentiment

does not compel the officers of the law

to enforce? It is useless to try to

dodge this question and all that hangs

on it.

In a free country the people may

have what laws they will and have

them enforced. It is a matter of public

opinion. If public opinion consents to

the violation of the law the laws will

look to the violators for their support.

If public opinion insists that officers of

the law shall discharge their duties the

duties will be discharged.

A few people do not constitute public

sentiment, nor can the many, how-

ever well disposed, be said to stand for

public sentiment unless they take the

field and make themselves seen and

heard and felt. The lawbreaker does

not care if nine men out of ten in his

community are against him so long as

they keep quiet about it.

When good citizens have as much

courage as the bad we may hope to see

better local government. We could

have much better in Wheeling and still

fall far short of the ideal.

The ducks of Hog Island have peace,

but the tiger of Tammany growls and

wheteth his teeth.

The Huffy Italians.

The Italian consul general thinks he

has a grievance because a subject of his

most gracious sovereign was killed in

Columbus while resisting arrest.

The Italians should, of course, be

treated as well as anybody else, but it

happens that Italy does not favor us

with the flower of her people. The

average run of Italians in this country

does not make the American heart

ache for more of the same kind.

If American ways do not suit our

friends in and from Italy they may

as easily remedy the matter by remain-

ing in their own sunny clime, where the

skies are always blue and the people a

good deal that way themselves.

What's this? Ex-Governor Camp-

bell much closer to Mr. Cleveland than

Senator Brice? Before Mr. Cleveland

goes far he may be glad to make room

for Senator Brice. The Ohio senator

has brains and nerve, which may be

handy for President Cleveland to have

around.

Thus much may be said of Jay Gould,

there is not likely to be any scandal

over his estate. No second family will

turn up, and his grown sons will step

into the places their father prepared

for them. This will be quite unlike

the trail some other rich men have left.

BREAKFAST BUDGET.

C. J. Ennis, 86 years of age, a veteran

of the Mexican war, was married to

Elizabeth Bacus, aged 77 years, at San

Antonio, Tex., last week. Ennis re-

ceives a monthly stipend of \$8 from the

government. In gratitude to the woman

who nursed him, for several years, and

who is now his wife, he desired the

marriage to take place so that she will

receive his pension after his death. He

is in a critical condition.

The problem of how to serve colery

has been solved, at least temporarily,

in the prevailing fashion of laying two

or three choice stalks at the side of

each plate. Nobody regretted the

tirement of the tall colery

vases, but the flat dishes were about

equally awkward and inconvenient.

The present idea is sensible and satis-

factory, and should be preserved.—New

York Times.

Dr. Donovan, the medical superin-